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REMINDER: Sign Up to Participate in the 2023 Adopt-A-Beach Coastwide Spring Cleanup

Commissioner Buckingham invites volunteers to join her in helping keep Texas beaches beautiful

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AUSTIN — Today, Texas Land Commissioner Dawn Buckingham M.D. encouraged all friends of Texas beaches to join her and participate in the 2023 Adopt-A-Beach Coastwide Spring Cleanup on Saturday, April 22nd. The cleanup will span 25 locations across the Texas coast, from Port Arthur to Boca Chica.

"As a community, I hope we can all take pride and ownership of our beautiful Texas coast, and always remember, don't mess with Texas beaches," said Commissioner Buckingham in a video to help inspire volunteers to sign up and give back to our coastal communities. The Adopt-A-Beach video can be viewed below:

Volunteers interested in participating can find information about registration and cleanup locations at the Adopt-A-Beach <u>website</u> or show up on-site the day of to enjoy a morning filled with fun and service to the Texas coast.

Volunteers are encouraged to wear closed-toe shoes and to bring sunscreen, a hat, and plenty of drinking water. Volunteers may also want to download the <u>Clean Swell</u> app to track their efforts. Data submitted to the app is instantly uploaded to the Ocean Conservancy's global ocean trash database.

2023 Adopt-A-Beach Coastwide Spring Cleanup

Saturday, April 22, 2023

Check-in: 8:30 am Cleanup: 9 am to noon

For more information: 1-877-TX-COAST

The Adopt-A-Beach program began in the fall of 1986, when 2,800 volunteers picked up 124 tons of trash. Since then, more than 563,000 Texas Adopt-A-Beach volunteers have picked up nearly 10,000 tons of trash from Texas beaches.

Texans who are not able to attend the cleanup can help keep our beaches clean by making a tax-deductible donation online at Adopt-A-Beach <u>website</u>. There are also

several Adopt-A-Beach sponsorship levels ranging from \$30 to \$25,000, allowing both individuals and corporations to contribute to this major cleanup effort. To learn more about the Adopt-A-Beach program, visit TexasAdoptABeach.org and follow AAB on Facebook or Twitter.

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